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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
**EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

JUANA DEL CARMEN GOMEZ,	)	Case No.: 1:17-cv-01035 - JLT
Plaintiff,	)	
v.	)	<b>ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE WHY THE ACTION</b>
	)	<b>SHOULD NOT BE DISMISSED FOR</b>
NANCY A. BERRYHILL,	)	<b>PLAINTIFF’S FAILURE TO PROSECUTE AND</b>
Acting Commissioner of Social Security,	)	<b>FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE COURT’S</b>
Defendant.	)	<b>ORDER</b>
	)	
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Juana Del Carmen Gomez initiated this action by filing a complaint on August 2, 2017, seeking judicial review of a decision to denying her application for Social Security benefits. (Doc. 1) On August 10, 2017, the Court issued its Scheduling Order, setting forth the applicable deadlines. (Doc. 5)

Defendant filed the certified administrative record in the matter on March 7, 2018. (Doc. 13) Pursuant to the terms of the Scheduling Order, within thirty days of the filing of the administrative record, Plaintiff was to serve “a letter brief outlining the reasons why...[] she contends that a remand is warranted,” and file “proof of service reflecting that the letter brief was served.” (Doc. 5 at 2) Thus, Plaintiff was to serve a confidential letter brief no later than April 6, 2018. To date, no proof of service has been filed, and Plaintiff has not requested an extension of time to comply with the Court’s order.

The Local Rules, corresponding with Fed. R. Civ. P. 11, provide: “Failure of counsel or of a party to comply with . . . any order of the Court may be grounds for the imposition by the Court of any and all sanctions . . . within the inherent power of the Court.” Local Rule 110. “District courts have

1 inherent power to control their dockets,” and in exercising that power, a court may impose sanctions  
2 including dismissal of an action. *Thompson v. Housing Authority of Los Angeles*, 782 F.2d 829, 831  
3 (9th Cir. 1986). A court may dismiss an action with prejudice, based on a party’s failure to prosecute  
4 an action or failure to obey a court order, or failure to comply with local rules. *See, e.g. Ferdik v.*  
5 *Bonzelet*, 963 F.2d 1258, 1260-61 (9th Cir. 1992) (dismissal for failure to comply with an order);  
6 *Malone v. U.S. Postal Service*, 833 F.2d 128, 130 (9th Cir. 1987) (dismissal for failure to comply with  
7 a court order); *Henderson v. Duncan*, 779 F.2d 1421, 1424 (9th Cir. 1986) (dismissal for failure to  
8 prosecute and to comply with local rules).

9           Accordingly, Plaintiff is **ORDERED** to show cause within fourteen days of the date of service  
10 of this Order why the sanctions should not be imposed for failure to follow the Court’s Order and  
11 failure to prosecute the action or, in the alternative, serve a confidential letter brief and file proof of  
12 service with the Court.

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14 IT IS SO ORDERED.

15           Dated: April 16, 2018

/s/ Jennifer L. Thurston  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE